

I am outraged that an anti-Kerry program will be aired by Sinclair Broadcasting days before the election. In the midst of a close election, such a blatant attempt to influence the election by airing a propaganda piece in prime time must be stopped. This demonstrates clearly the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and must by law serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. We need more local news and substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.